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SUBJECT: STUDY ON THE ECONOMIC ASPECTS OF EDUCATION FOR
HANDICAPPED CHILDREN AND YOUTH

REF: LEESTMA/TINSMAN TELECON, 22 JANUARY 1976

1. BACKGROUND: UNESCO CONTRACTED WITH USNATCOM TO UNESCO IN DECEMBER 1974 (CONTRACT NO. 526164) TO UNDERTAKE SUBJECT STUDY IN THE US FOR \$2,500. DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF STUDY TO UNESCO WAS 1 OCTOBER 1975. NATCOM SUBCONTRACTED STUDY TO A DR. MARINELLI. IN SEPTEMBER 1975 NATCOM REQUESTED AND RECEIVED EXTENSION OF DEADLINE FROM UNESCO (OCHS) TO 1 DECEMBER 1975. ON DECEMBER 1 UNESCO (SUNDBERG) REQUESTED USDEL TO INFORM NATCOM THAT PAYMENT COULD NOT BE MADE DUE TO BUDGET RESTRICTIONS IF STUDY NOT DELIVERED BY DECEMBER 31, 1975. USDEL BELIEVES THAT NATCOM INFORMED UNESCO THAT MARINELLI COULD NOT COMPLETE CONTRACT. US NON-PERFORMANCE ON THIS CONTRACT HAS REFLECTED BADLY ON US AND HINDERED UNESCO FROM PUBLISHING INTERNATIONAL STUDY ON THIS SUBJECT. UNESCO FEELS THAT LACK OF US CONTRIBUTION, WHERE SO MUCH IS UNCLASSIFIED

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BEING DONE FOR THE HANDICAPPED CHILD, DETRACTS GREATLY

FROM CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED FROM OTHER NATIONS.

2. SUNDBERG HAS INFORMED USDEL THAT UNESCO DEFICIT OF \$10,000 IN HANDICAPPED PROGRAM NOW PRECLUDES PAYMENT TO USNATCOM SHOULD THIS STUDY BE COMPLETED; HOWEVER, IF STUDY COULD BE COMPLETED BY JUNE 30, 1976, IT COULD BE INCLUDED IN, AND WOULD CONTRIBUTE GREATLY TO, UNESCO PUBLICATION.

3. USDEL REQUESTS THAT NATCOM AND USOE EXPLORE POSSIBILITY OF COMPLETING STUDY BY JUNE 30. UNFORTUNATELY, THE \$2,500 IS NOW LOST. USDEL HOPES THAT US WILL MEET ITS COMMITMENT AND FEELS THAT US WILL BENEFIT FROM MAKING ITS CONTRIBUTION.

4. EARLY REPLY REQUESTED TO ENABLE USDEL TO INFORM UNESCO SECRETARIAT.
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